

Green River Kiwanis

Quarterly Report

October – December 2019

Membership:

The club began the year with 129 members. There has been one addition and no drops. The current membership stands at 130 members. The goal for the year is a net gain of five members.

Guests:

The club has had a total of 18 guests.

There has been a guest at 8 of the 12 meetings (75%). The goal for the year is to have guests (speakers don't count) at 50% of the meetings.

Attendance:

The club has averaged 68 members per meeting (52.5%). There are 35 members (27%) who have attended less than 5 meetings.

Activities:

The club has had a speaker at all the meetings including Spiritual Aims speakers at Thanksgiving and Christmas.

The club also had board meetings each month.

The club has had its finances audited.

The club had a Dinner Night Out for members and their friends in October and November.

In October, the club recognized Reitz Memorial High School as the winner of the 2018-2019 Jim Byers All Sports Award. Mater Dei was runner up and North was third.

In early November, 25 members, 2 friends, 7 youth club members volunteered at the Special Olympics Bowling Tournament. They encouraged 168 bowlers during two sessions, providing 144 service hours.

On November 13, the club had their meeting at Harrison High School with the Harrison Key Club.

On November 20, the club awarded the 2019 Soccer Kiwanis Mental Attitude Awards to 18 very deserving students from nine area high schools.

Around Thanksgiving, club members provided dollars and dry goods to the Harrison Key Club project of providing food for those in need. Thirteen baskets were delivered by an even dozen Kiwanians.

In December, the club purchased and sold approximately 3250 poinsettia plants, netting approximately \$14,500. This is down about \$2,000 from the previous year.

A very busy December began with Green River Kiwanians ring bells for the Salvation Army on three nights. During the times the club manned the kettles, almost six hundred dollars were raised for Salvation Army.

The club held a Santa's Breakfast for 32 children at the Caldwell YMCA on a Saturday morning in December. Twenty-six members and two friends purchased and wrapped gifts, provided a breakfast, read stories, sang, and assisted Santa as he handed out gifts to the kids.

Green River Kiwanis collected monies at the gates to the Ritzzy's Fantasy of Lights on two evenings in December. All proceeds from the Fantasy of Lights goes to the Easterseals Rehabilitation Center.

At our regular meeting on December 11, the club held an auction of items donated by members and local merchants. Over \$3,600 was raised to be given to the Santa Clothes Club to clothe children in need of coats, scarfs, and gloves.

Our final project for December was our Senior Project. Names for 16 needy families were given to the club by SWIRCA. Large food boxes were prepared for each family and delivered by approximately 15 members.

Upcoming Events in the next three months:

Each of the club's eight teams will be attempting to visit each of the division clubs and the three youth clubs sponsored by the club by the end of the fiscal year.

The club's BUG programs at six schools will be having visits with the students who have brought up their grades to reward and encourage them.

The Governor's visit is scheduled for the last weekend of February.

The Southwind Division's Riley Walk will be held on February 29 at Eastland Mall to raise money for Riley Hospital in Indianapolis and the Riley Clinic at Deaconess Hospital in Evansville.

On March 18, the club will host a breakfast at which the Evansville Firefighter of the Year will be announced

Also in March, the club will begin selling pork ribs and butts to raise money for the Dream Center.

President's Goals and Initiatives:

The president has been sending out weekly updates on Sunday evening or Monday morning reminding members of the upcoming meeting and projects that need their support.

The president has also contacted the administration at Evansville Christian High School about starting a Key Club there. The reception has been favorable and the club hopes to get a club started by spring time.

Another goal for the year is whatever the club can reasonably do to get Terry White elected as International Vice-President at the International Convention in Indianapolis. Terry will need the assistance of each of the clubs in the Southwind Division to make this happen